

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

**MAIL STOP RCE**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	10/031,409
Confirmation Number	2146
Filing Date	January 18, 2002
First Named Inventor	Susumu MARUO
Group Art Unit	1615
Examiner Name	Humera N. Sheikh
Matter Number	Q68143
Title	OINTMENT APPLICATOR AND OINTMENT PATCH USING THE SAME

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all  
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any  
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

**CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

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**SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY**

Name Susan J. Mack Registration No. 30,951

Signature Jennifer M. Hays Date July 8, 2005

*Res. No. 40,641  
for Susan J. Mack*

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Susumu MARUO, et al.

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)**

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Sir:

An RCE and a petition and the required fee are submitted herewith for a one (1) month extension to extend the time period for reply to the Office Action dated March 8, 2005, to July 8, 2005.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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